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REFRACTOMETER CELL FOR BOTH ABSOLUTE AND DIFFERENTIAL REFRACTIVE INDEX MEASUREMENTS OF FLUIDS

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Refractometer cell for both absolute and differential refractive

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Receipt of Examiner Merlino's Office Action of March 15, 2007 is acknowledged.

Telephone Interview

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Telephone Interview granted on July 2, 2007 and acknowledges the confusion regarding the procedure for examination of non-statutory subject matter of pending method claims 8-11. Applicant further acknowledges that these claims are now be considered allowable by the Examiner. Nevertheless, Applicant feels that some simplifications of claims 10 and 11 are in order. Accordingly, the present claims 10 and 11 have been canceled and substitutes are presented herewith rewritten as claims 16 and 17. These substitute claims address also all outstanding objections.

Request for allowance

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's allowance of apparatus claims 8, 9, and 12-15 and believes that substitute claims 16 - 19 address all of the Examiner's remaining objections. The Applicant respectfully requests that the application with claims as amended herewith be approved and allowed to issue.

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Enclosure:

Complete listing of claims